

Amendments

Please amend the claims to the following:

b1  
1. (twice amended) An active composition of an electrode of an alkaline electrochemical cell, comprising:

a nickel hydroxide material; and

a binder comprising a pectin or a molasses.

b2  
7. (twice amended) An electrode for an alkaline electrochemical cell, comprising:

an active composition including:

a nickel hydroxide material; and

a binder comprising a pectin or a molasses.

b3  
13. (twice amended) An alkaline electrochemical cell, comprising:

at least one positive electrode;

at least one negative electrode; and

an alkaline electrolyte,

said positive electrode having an active material composition including a nickel hydroxide material and a binder comprising a pectin or a molasses.

Cancel claims 3, 9 and 16.